

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: **DARIN L. PETERSON ET AL.**
FILED: **CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH**
FOR: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
RETAINING A TRAY STACK HAVING A
PLURALITY OF TRAYS FOR CARRYING
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Preliminary Amendment

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 5.